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For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING OPTICAL LOSS FILTER, AND OPTICAL LOSS FILTER	:	

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Dear Sir:

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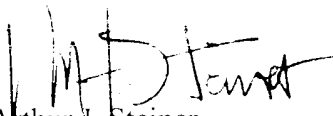
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